

## READY TO WRECK OLD BANK BUILDING

Destruction of National Metropolitan Office to Begin Shortly.

## BUILD A THEATER ON THE PROPERTY

White Marble Structure Will Take Place of Banking Institution.

Bids are to be opened next Thursday for the destruction of the old National Metropolitan Bank, one of the oldest bank buildings of Washington. The bids will be opened by J. H. de Sibour, architect for the new structure which is to take its place.

The old home of financial institutions which have occupied it for the past half century, within a few weeks will be razed and in its place will rise a building in keeping with the other recent imposing structures of Fifteenth street in the neighborhood of the Treasury.

The plans for the new eight-story building, which will occupy not only the site of the old bank, but that of the Riggs House as well, have been changed since their recent announcement. The entrance to the theater had been planned for G street, leaving the entire Fifteenth street frontage for office purposes, but the architect is now working on a plan to make the theater entrance on the Fifteenth street side.

### Build At Once.

As soon as the old bank has been razed bids on the revised plans will be invited and the erection of the new building commenced. As the lease of the Riggs House does not expire until May 1 the architect will proceed with the erection of that portion of the building which can occupy the lot vacated by the bank building.

This will be an office building of eight stories, and containing 133 offices. It will also have a Turkish bath in the basement, and the heating and mechanical plants for the whole building. The material for the front is to be white marble and terra cotta, which, with the architectural style, will carry out the scheme of the new Metropolitan Bank building adjoining. The theater is to occupy part of the section on the Riggs House site.

The old bank building which is about to disappear was built about fifty years ago as a two-story office building, and was occupied during the war by Jay Cooke & Co., through which company the war loans of the Government were made. Then the First National Bank, of which D. Cooke as president, occupied the second floor until the failure of both concerns in the panic of 1873.

### Bought By Tome.

In 1876 the property was sold to Jacob Tome, of Maryland, who purchased it for the Citizens' National Bank, an institution brought to the city from Hagerstown. In view of the price recently paid by the Riggs Realty Company for the property, \$225,000, the price which it brought at that time is interesting. Mr. Tome paid \$72,000, and added a third story to the old building. In the past thirty-four years, therefore, the value of this property has increased more than threefold.

The Citizens' National Bank continued in business until its merger with the West End National Bank and the National Metropolitan Bank in 1903, when the name was changed to Metropolitan-Citizens National Bank. This name was shortly changed to National Metropolitan Bank. The presidents of the different institutions occupying the building have been W. R. Appelman, J. J. Creswell, who was Postmaster General in the Grant Administration; A. Geary Johnson, F. C. Stevens, E. S. Parker, and now George W. White.

The old building has been unoccupied since the completion of the new home of the National Metropolitan Bank adjoining.

## WARRENTON FARM SOLD TO TEXAN

E. H. Leache Will Raise Polo Ponies on Place in Virginia.

WARRENTON, Va., Aug. 27.—F. Scott Carter has completed the sale of the Rhode Island Farm, situated on the Bethel road and formerly owned by Mrs. James B. Jeffries.

The farm was purchased by E. H. Leache, of Wayco, Tex., who is a prominent horseman and an enthusiast of polo. Mr. and Mrs. Leache will make their home in Virginia after remodeling the house and will shortly bring their string of polo ponies and jumpers.

The horse show hall to be given by the ladies of Warrenton next Wednesday will be a brilliant affair, and it is expected at least 100 couples will participate. The town is filling with prominent visitors to the show.

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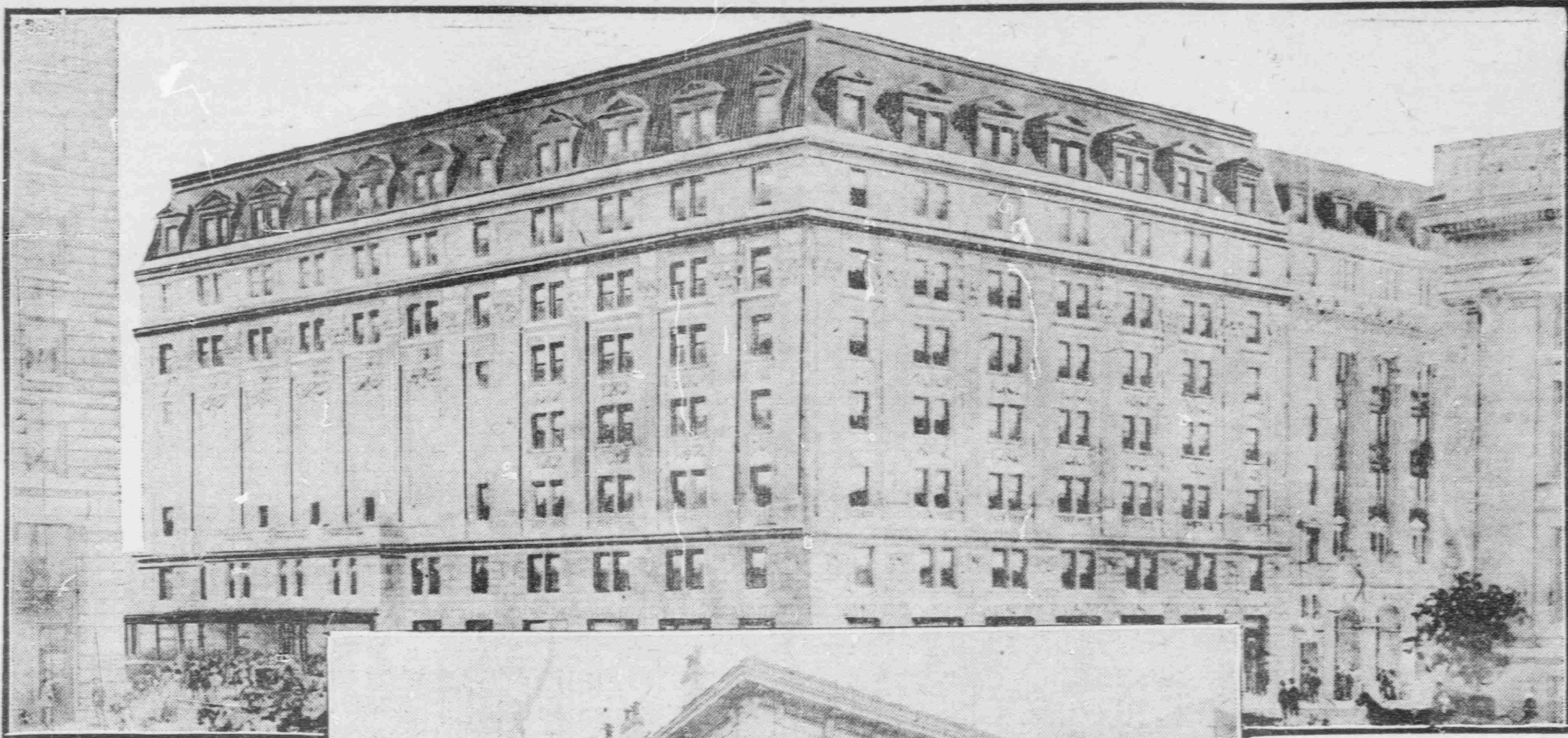
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## PROPOSED OFFICE BUILDING AND THEATER AND SITE

STRUCTURE TO BE ERECTED BY THE RIGGS REALTY COMPANY. CHASE WILL LEASE THE THEATER PORTION OF THE BUILDING.



## ADVENT OF RAILWAY HELPS GEORGETOWN

Water Street Project Stimulates Building and Other Realty Improvements.

The advent of the steam railroad on Water street has certainly helped to boom things in that quarter.

The Capital Traction Company, which will move its power house to Wisconsin avenue and K street, has cleared the site, and begun work on the erection of the building. A permit has been taken out for the erection of two monster chimneys, independent of the building. The towers will cost \$15,500.

William King & Son, coal and wood dealers, have plans for the erection of a two-story frame factory, at 281 K street, opposite the freight terminal, to cost nearly \$2,500. The establishment is to be used as a kindling-wood factory, the opening of the railroad making it an easy matter to obtain an abundant supply of cordwood.

Perhaps the greatest improvement is being made by the District of Columbia Paper Mill Company, at its plant, Potomac and K streets. The corporation is building a tool shop at 320 Grace street, the northern boundary of the mill, to cost \$3,500.

The paper factory is also building a monster six-story addition to the present plant, the cost of which will be \$50,000. The addition is on Potomac street, directly across from the mills of the G. W. Cissel Company, flour merchants, who are almost every day shipping loads of flour on the new railroad to New York. The addition to the paper mills is being constructed without shutting down the work of the mill. It was because of increased demand that it was necessary to enlarge. It is expected that the improvements will hardly be completed before the end of this year.

A movement is on foot, in which a number of Georgetown men are interested, to erect a big freight depot on the north side of K or Water street, opposite the freight terminal of the Baltimore and Ohio. The freight depot will be used for the storage of goods sent to local shippers, who are unable to unload the cars, or have not room to store the material. Many of the K

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SITE OF NEW STRUCTURE.  
Riggs House and Bank Building To Be Razed.

street merchants are interested in the project, and in a short time something definite is promised regarding the matter. The tracks of the railroad in the terminal run clear to the water edge, and it is stated that at this point boats will be loaded to carry coal to different ports along the Atlantic ocean. If this project is carried out the railroad will be a strong competitor to the Chesapeake and Ohio canal, which for practically three-quarters of a century has had a monopoly in the coal trade at this place.

It is understood that so far the officials of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad have received requests from four firms on Water street to have sidings put in to their property. The cost of

these sidings is borne entirely by the parties desiring them, and several firms, desiring to go to this expense, are endeavoring to secure a modification of the order. Collins & Walsh, whose shop formerly was located at 206 K street, which is now a part of the freight yards, have purchased and fitted a shop at 231 K street, almost immediately across from the former location.

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## REDMOND BUYS HOUSE.

James E. Redmond has bought from Mrs. Laura Roche the two-story dwelling, 435 Park road northwest, for \$4,500. The house is a semi-detached modern dwelling built a few years ago by Midway & Shannon, Inc., and was sold through the office of Shannon & Luchs.

## MODERATE PRICED HOMES DEMANDED

Modern Dwellings, Costing  
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Sales of homes of moderate price have continued to be a feature of the week's activity in real estate.

The market for modern dwellings ranging in price from \$4,500 to \$7,500, has shown no signs of weakness. Phillips & Sager's transactions recently have been limited almost exclusively to this class of real estate, and they report the following sales:

To Miss Ella C. Lykes, the six-room dwelling, 255 Fourteenth street northwest, for \$5,200.

To R. J. Quinn, an adjoining house, 324 Fourteenth street, for \$5,200.

To Mrs. Emma Levi, the corner house, 324 Fourteenth street, for \$7,000.

These houses were sold for the builders and owners, Pumphrey & Davis. They are in a row on Fourteenth street, at the intersection of Shepherd street. Three others of these houses were sold for \$5,500 each, 322 to Henry G. Porter, 402 to J. E. Ziegler, and 320 to a buyer whose name is withheld.

W. M. Shook bought through the same offices from Wire Brothers the nine-room dwelling at the southeast corner of Fourteenth and Webster streets, for \$7,500.

Mrs. Annie B. Smith bought the ten-room dwelling at 1415 Belmont street northwest, from Francis Carmody, for \$7,500.

Mrs. Annie L. Power bought the six-room dwelling built by Pumphrey & Davis, at 126 Spring street, for \$5,500.

Mrs. Mary A. O'Brien bought from Austin Cooper, for \$5,000, the nine-room dwelling at 429 H street northwest.

Mark A. Watson bought from Mrs. Jennie Abbott the two six-room dwellings, 309 and 321 Eleventh street northwest, for \$9,000.

Mrs. R. T. Seabrook bought from Charles J. Walker one of the new houses at the corner of Twelfth and Euclid streets northwest, No. 1208, for \$7,000.

Three sales of dwellings in the northeast are also reported by Phillips and Sager.

To William M. Bellfield for Columbia H. Baker the two-story frame dwelling, 1601 Kramer street northeast, for \$2,500.

To W. H. McConnell for Lanahan and Kimpel, the six-room dwelling, 312 Tenth street northeast, for \$4,450, and a similar house for the same owners to Simon Hughes, 809 Tenth street, for the same price.

## PROPERTY IS SOLD BY CHARLES CLAPP

Northwest Lots To Be Improved by  
Erection of Residences.

Charles E. Clapp has sold to Robert H. Featherstone through the office of the James J. Lampton Company, Inc., 15,000 square feet of ground on the south side of Wyoming avenue between Twenty-second and Twenty-third streets northwest. The property has a frontage of 100 feet and a depth of 150 feet, and brought \$20,800. The lots are in square 2828, numbers 26 and 27.

It is understood that the property will be improved by the erection of five high grade residences.

Edward M. Dulin has purchased from Joseph Paul and Clarence Edward Dean the lot at the southwest corner of Rhode Island avenue and Second street northwest, for about \$4,000. The lot has a frontage of twenty-five feet on the avenue and contains about 3,200 square feet. The sale was made through the office of Willing, Gibbs & Daniel. Mr. Dulin will erect on the property a two-story brick building for a grocery store on the first floor and a five-room apartment on the second.

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